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BOARD MINUTES **HISTORIC SITES BOARD** **November 17, 2003**

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

ITEM 1 – ADMINISTRATIVE

A. Board Administrative Matters and General Information

- **Call to Order**
6:35 PM
- **Members Present:**
Charles Muse
Margie Warner
Steve Estrada
Jim Royle
Paul Johnson
- **Staff Present:**
Donna Beddow
Gail Wright
- **Members Absent**
Carmen Lucas
Peggy Lacy
- **Other General Information - None**

B. Conflict of Interest Declaration

None

- C. Approval of October 20, 2003 Board Minutes** Charles Muse moved that the 10/20/2003 minutes be approved with no corrections.
2nd by Paul Johnson.
Motion carried 5-0

D. Reports

1. Carmen Lucas lost her ranch house and animals
2. HSB board members and staff participated in a presentation for the El Cajon Historical Society on historic preservation and the Mills Act. Donna Beddow gave the Mills act presentation assisted by Gail Wright operating the computer. Retired Senator John Mills spoke about the history of the Mills act and the HSB's first historic designation home owner, John Linden talked about the restoration of the Linden house. HSB chairman Jim Royle and HRB staff liason Teri Del Camp were in attendance.

E. Announcements

San Diego County Archaeological Society is having their 30th anniversary potluck dinner Saturday November 22, 2003 in Balboa Park.

ITEM 2 – PUBLIC COMMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

A. Public Comment - none

B. Presentations

Lynne Christenson – Overview of fire damage to County of San Diego Parks using maps and photographs. A bulldozer clearing a fire break damaged the Mission Trails dam – a national landmark. Twenty-two parks and 15, 000 acres of park land were damaged or destroyed by the fire. This equates to about ½ of all county park land.

ACTION ITEMS

ITEM 3– CHARLES A. SHAFFER RESIDENCE

Applicant: Mililani Smythe

Location: 5610 La Crescenta, Rancho Santa Fe

Description: The Charles A. Shaffer residence, completed in 1927, is a Spanish Colonial Revival traditional house designed by well-known architect Lilian Rice. This residence is one and one half stories, 5,060 square feet of living space designed in a “U” shape with a patio and recreation area with lush foliage at the center rear of the living area. An interesting design element added by Lilian Rice is a rectangular bell tower to the southwest corner of the home as a part of the main façade; a stairwell reminiscent of those at California Missions reaches the bell tower. While the tower contains a real bell, it also serves as a viewpoint for the surrounding countryside. The Shaffer home was registered on the National Register of Historic Places as an Individual Property (1S) on August 5, 1991.

Todays Action: Recommend approval of the Mills Act Contract for the Charles A. Shaffer residence.

A motion was made by Steve Estrada to approve the Shaffer Residence for participation in the Mills Act contract.

2nd by Margie Warner; motion carried 5-0.

ITEM 4 – MT HELIX SITE PLAN WAIVERS

Community members were not prepared to come before the board at this time and requested a continuance until the next board meeting. They are still looking for alternatives.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

OTHER

ITEM 6 – FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- A motion was made by Charles Muse to cancel HSB's December meeting; 2nd by Margie Warner. Motion carried 5-0.
- Next meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 20, 2004
- Mt. Helix Waivers

ITEM 7 – ADJOURNMENT

7:45

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES:

Chairman, Jim Royle

January 20, 2004

Vice Chairman, Charles Muse

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